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FOR PPT AND VO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CPAS, CVIS, HU

SUBJ: PASSPORT SAMPLES

1. DURING OCTOBER 29 INFORMAL PRESENTATION BY CONSULAR SECTION CHIEF ABOUT INTRODUCTION OF NEW BICENTENNIAL PASSPORTS, DEPUTY CHIEF OF HUNGARIAN MFA CONSULAR DIVISION (DR. PAL KUN) REQUESTED A SAMPLE SUCH PASSPORT. GIVEN OUR GOOD WORKING RELATIONS WITH THE CONSULAR DIVISION EMBASSY CAN SEE CLEAR ADVANTAGE IN ACCEDING TO HUNGARIAN REQUEST WHEN WE RECEIVE OUR INITIAL BICENTENNIAL PASSPORT SUPPLY. HOWEVER, WE ALSO WISH CONTINUE TO DEAL WITH MFA STRICTLY ON BASIS OF RECIPROCITY. IN THAT CONNECTION MFA CONTACT INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO FURNISH HUNGARIAN PASSPORT SAMPLES IF USG DESIRES.

2. EMBASSY RECALLS HAVING TRANSMITTED SAMPLE HUNGARIAN PASSPORTS TO DEPARTMENT IN 1964-65 BUT, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, STUDIES OF THESE PASSPORTS WERE NEVER INCLUDED IN THE "CURRENT VALID FOREIGN PASSPORTS" SERIES. THE 1964-65 HUNGARIAN PASSPORT FORMATS ARE STILL VALID.

3. ACTION REQUESTED:

- (A) IF DEPARTMENT OBJECTS TO PROVIDING MFA WITH VOIDED SAMPLE OF BICENTENNIAL PASSPORT, PLEASE ADVISE.
- (B) PLEASE ALSO ADVISE WHETHER DEPARTMENT WISHES RECEIVE VOIDED SAMPLES OF 1964-65 HUNGARIAN PASSPORTS.

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4. COMMENT: IF DEPARTMENT RESPONDS AFFIRMATIVELY TO

PARA 3(A) ABOVE, EMBASSY PLANS TO TRADE REPEAT TRADE
VOIDED SAMPLES WITH MFA. IF DEPARTMENT RESPONDS
AFFIRMATIVELY TO PARA 3(B) ABOVE, EMBASSY WILL POUCH
VOIDED HUNGARIAN PASSPORTS TO WASHINGTON. IF DEPARTMENT'S
RESPONSE TO PARA 3 (B) IS NEGATIVE, EMBASSY WILL
OF COURSE PROMPTLY BURN HUNGARIAN PASSPORT SAMPLES
IMMEDIATELY AFTER RECEIVING THEM.
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